

Phytoplankton Monitoring Network Workshops

Join representatives of NOAA's Phytoplankton Monitoring Network (PMN) to learn how PMN is promoting a better understanding of harmful algal blooms through volunteer monitoring.



PMN is composed of scientists and volunteers across the country who work together to study and record the species of phytoplankton that occur in Atlantic, Pacific, and Gulf of Mexico waters. Volunteers participate in hands-on research by sampling and identifying marine phytoplankton. This data is submitted to NOAA scientists for more analysis.

Workshops will feature:

Discussion: What are harmful algal blooms? What algae are toxic?

Training: Learn how to volunteer; participate in hands-on activities including sampling with nets, identifying phytoplankton with microscopes, and recording and submitting data. Equipment is provided free of charge to volunteer groups!

Choose the session appropriate for you and mark your calendar for Saturday, March 7, at Nauticus in Norfolk:

- **8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. for new volunteers**
- **1:30-4 p.m. refresher course for current volunteers**



Formal and informal educators are welcome.

Visit www.chbr.noaa.gov/pmn/ for more information on PMN and the workshops. We hope you can join us to take a closer look!



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